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MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

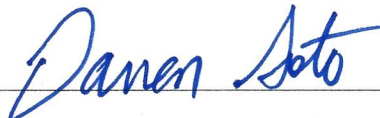
This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Darren Soto
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: Amanda Soto or None ☐
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 8/1/17 Return: 8/9/17
b. Dates at personal expense: _____ or None ☒
4. Departure city: Washington D.C. Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return city: Orlando, FL
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The American Israel Education Foundation
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): Itinerary with the
meetings is attached to this form.
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. ☒ a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. ☒ the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*): ☒
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:

DATE: 8/23/2017

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Committee on Ethics

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

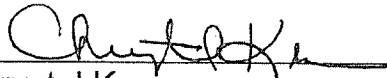
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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. Travel Destination(s): Israel
3. Date of Departure: August 1, 2017 Date of Return: August 9, 2017
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): The Honorable Darren Soto
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$7,082.08	\$1,434.27	\$1,418.22	\$3,229.37 (breakdown attached)
Accompanying Relative	\$7,082.08	\$1,434.27	\$1,418.22	\$3,229.37 (breakdown attached)

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 
Name: Chrystal Kern Title: Chief Financial Officer
Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

Address: 251 H Street NW
Washington DC 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5374

Email Address: ckern@aiefdn.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.*

YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: Darren Soto

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member or committee: _____

Office address: 1429 Longworth House Office Building

Telephone number: 202-225-9889

Email address of contact person: liana.guerra@mail.house.gov

- ☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

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1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)
Travel email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Darren Soto
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The American Israel Education Foundation
3. Travel destination(s): Israel
4. a. Date of departure August 1, 2017 Date of return: August 9, 2017
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? ☒ Yes ☐ No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: Amanda Soto
(2) Relationship to traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:
N/A
7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As a Member of Congress interested in foreign affairs and international security and diplomacy, I am hoping to learn more about middle eastern affairs and issues affecting the region in and surrounding Israel
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 6/29/17

Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☒ or
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☐ or
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐
 If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
Please see attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. Date of departure: August 1, 2017 Date of return: August 9, 2017
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
b. Destination(s): Israel
c. City of return: Orlando, FL
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: ☒ or
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above: ☒
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: ☐
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: ☐ or
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐
 If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box): ☒
11. Check one:
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒ or
- b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐
12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
AIEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the fundamental purpose of educating policy makers about the U.S.-Israel relationship. AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing, and funding all aspects of this trip. This includes the Friday evening dinners hosted by Jerusalem families - these dinners are funded solely by AIEF.
13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.
- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☒ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
n/a
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
15. I represent that either (check one of the following):
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation: ☒
- If "b" is checked:
- 1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
\$138 per person per day
- 2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
The trip will take place in Israel in order to educate participants about the U.S.-Israel strategic partnership.
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--|-------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Hotel name: | <u>King David</u> | City: | <u>Jerusalem</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$321</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>location and affordability</u> | | | | |
| Hotel name: | <u>King David (room hold/day room)</u> | City: | <u>Jerusalem</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$160.50</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>location and affordability</u> | | | | |
| Hotel name: | <u>Scots</u> | City: | <u>Tiberias</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$270</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>location and affordability</u> | | | | |

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17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$7,569	\$2,044	\$966
For each accompanying relative	\$7,569	\$152 additional	\$966

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$2,968.71	Please find breakdown attached
For each accompanying relative	\$2,968.71	Please find breakdown attached

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19. Check one:
- I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. ☒ *or*
 - N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐
20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒
21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Chrysal Kern

Name: Chrysal Kern

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington DC 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5374

Email address: ckern@aiefdn.org

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The Honorable Darren Soto
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Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to Israel,¹ scheduled for August 1 to 9, 2017, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF).

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$390] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments filed with the Committee, and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ We note that the U.S. Department of State (State Department) has issued a travel warning concerning travel to Israel, The West Bank and Gaza, available at <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings/israel-travel-warning.html>. You may wish to contact the State Department regarding the safety of your proposed trip.

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Democratic Members of Congress
August 1–9, 2017

Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security: \$1,325.79 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Room Rentals: \$764.77 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers. This also includes the cost for portable toilets which we bring to the northern border briefings.

Speaker Fees: \$230.75 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Hotels for contract staff (tour guide, bus driver, security guards): \$230 per person

Tour Guide: \$219.48 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Meals for contract staff and speakers: \$211.22 per person

Other: \$135.41 per person

-water, snacks, Briefing materials, miscellaneous

Entrance Fees: \$65.51 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Tips: \$39.78 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

Taxis for contract staff and speakers: \$6.66 per person

**American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Democratic Members of Congress
August 1–9, 2017**

Itinerary

Tuesday, August 1, 2017: DEPART U.S.

Morning - Afternoon Domestic flights to JFK or Newark

10:37 PM Depart JFK (Delta #468)

10:45 PM Depart Newark (United #90)

Wednesday, August 2, 2017: ARRIVE TLV

4:15 PM Arrive Tel Aviv (Delta #468)

4:20 PM Arrive Tel Aviv (United #90)

6:30 PM Check into the King David Hotel, Jerusalem

7:30 PM *Setting the Stage*
Welcome and Orientation
Remarks by:

- The Honorable Steny Hoyer, House Democratic Whip
- Lillian Pinkus, President, National Board of Directors
- Cameron Brown, Director, AIEF Jerusalem Office

-at the King David Hotel

8:00 PM *State of the Nation*
Dinner with David Horovitz
Founding Editor, *Times of Israel*
-at the King David Hotel

9:30 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Thursday, August 3, 2017: DAY 1

7:00 AM Breakfast is served

7:30 AM Remarks from Mike Hankey, Acting Consul General
-at the King David Hotel

8:15 AM	Depart
8:45 AM	<i>The Meaning of the Holocaust in the Israeli Psyche</i> Visit to Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum and Memorial
10:30 AM	Depart for Ramallah
11:30 AM	<i>A View From the Palestinian Authority</i> Meeting with the Honorable Shukri Bishara Finance Minister, Palestinian Authority - at the Ministry of Finance, Ramallah
12:45 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
1:45 PM	Lunch is served -at the King David Hotel
2:15 PM	<i>Prospects for Peace</i> Lunch with Tal Becker Senior Fellow, Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem Principal Deputy Legal Adviser, Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs -at the King David Hotel
3:30 PM	Depart
4:00 PM	<i>Strategic Survey of Jerusalem, Part I: The Historic and Holy Basin</i> Guided survey of the Old City of Jerusalem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ City of David ▪ Southern Wall Excavations ▪ Western Wall ▪ Church of the Holy Sepulcher ▪ Via Dolorosa
6:30 PM	Depart
7:00 PM	Arrive at the King David Hotel
7:45 PM	Depart

8:15 PM *Tikkun Olam: Israel and the World*
Dinner with:

- Ambassador Gil Haskel, Head, MASHAV
- Dr. Clive Lipchin, Director, Transboundary Water Management
- Dr. Ofer Merin, Director, Shaare Tzedek Hospital Trauma Unit;
and Director, Israel's Medical First Response Team
- Sivan Ya'ari, CEO, Innovation Africa

Moderated by Lillian Pinkus
-at Modern

9:15 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

10:41 PM *Rep. Stephanie Murphy and Sean Murphy depart JDK (Delta #468)*

Friday, August 4, 2017: DAY 2

7:00 AM Breakfast is served

8:00 AM *Israeli Political Primer*
Breakfast with Reuven Hazan
Political Science Professor, Hebrew University
-at the King David Hotel

9:15 AM *Regional Overview*
Meeting with Maj.-Gen. (Ret.) Amos Yadlin
Director, The Institute for National Security Studies (INSS)
-at the King David hotel

10:30 AM A View from the Opposition
Meeting with the Honorable Isaac Herzog
Head of Opposition and Member of Knesset, Labor Party
-at the King David Hotel

11:45 AM Depart

12:15 PM *Strategic Overview of Jerusalem, Part II:*
Jerusalem's Outlying Neighborhoods and the Security Barrier

1:15 PM Lunch is served
-at Angelica

- 1:45 PM *Israel's Christian Community*
Lunch with George Deek
Advisor to the Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
-at Angelica
- 3:00 PM Program concludes
- 3:00 PM *Visit to Bethlehem (optional, return to hotel 6:00 PM)*
- Church of the Nativity
 - Manger Square
 - Milk Grotto
- 4:15 PM *Rep. Stephanie Murphy and Sean Murphy arrive Tel Aviv (Delta #468)*
Transfer to Jerusalem
Check into the King David Hotel
- 7:00 PM Depart for dinner
- 7:30 PM *Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem*
Sabbath dinner with Jerusalem families
- Susan and Tom Sawicki
 - Rabbi Susan Silverman and Yosef Abramowitz
 - Wendy and Saul Singer
- at their homes in Jerusalem
- 9:30 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Saturday, August 5, 2017: DAY 3

- 7:00 AM Breakfast is served
-at the King David Hotel
- 8:30 AM Depart
- 9:45 AM *Israel's Narrow Waistline: Strategic Concerns*
Briefing at Alfei Menashe
- 10:45 AM Depart
- 12:00 PM *Israeli-Arab Perspective*
Discussion with Mohammad Darawshe, Director of Planning,
Equality and Shared Society, Givat Haviva Educational Center
-at the Elma Hotel, Zihron Ya'akov

1:30 PM	Depart En route briefing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The Jezreel Valley: The Strategic Land Bridge connecting Asia and Africa</i> ▪ <i>Upper Galilee: Potential for Development</i>
3:45 PM	<i>Northern Exposure, Part I: The Tragedy in Syria</i> Briefing with Cpt. (res.) Ilan Shulman, Northern Border expert -at Mt. Bental
5:00 PM	Depart
6:00 PM	Check into Scots Hotel
8:00 PM	Depart
8:15 PM	<i>Life on the Border</i> Dinner and Discussion -at Decks
10:00 PM	Overnight at the Scots Hotel

Sunday, August 6, 2017: DAY 4

7:00 AM	Breakfast is served -at the hotel
7:45 AM	Depart hotel
8:30 AM	<i>Historical, Religious and Geopolitical Significance of the Sea of Galilee</i> Survey of historical and religious sites around the Sea of Galilee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mt. of Beatitudes – Sermon on the Mount ▪ St. Peter's Church – Primacy of Peter ▪ Capernaum – Jesus' Village
11:00 AM	Depart
11:30 AM	<i>Northern Exposure, Part II: Hezbollah Next Door</i> Briefing with Lt. Col. (res.) Sarit Zehavi, Northern Border Expert -at Dovev
12:30 PM	Depart

1:00 PM	Lunch -at Adir
2:30 PM	Depart for Jerusalem Travel via the Jordan Valley En route briefing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Israel's Relations with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan</i> ▪ <i>Jordan's Syrian Refugee Crisis</i>
5:30 PM	Arrive at the King David Hotel
8:00 PM	<i>Inside Israel: Domestic Policy in the Jewish State</i> Dinner with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Professor Dan Chernichovsky, Ben Gurion University of the Negev ▪ Imri Kalmann, LGBT Activist ▪ Pnina Radaï, Olim B'Yahad ▪ Avital Shapira, Histadrut Moderated by Robert Cohen -at the King David Hotel
10:00 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel

Monday, Aug 7, 2017: BIPARTISAN NIGHT/ DAY 5

12:15 AM	<i>Rep. Charlie Crist departs Tel Aviv (Delta #469)</i>
5:01 AM	<i>Rep. Charlie Crist arrives JFK (Delta #469)</i>
7:00 AM	Breakfast is served
8:00 AM	Settlements in Focus Breakfast with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yariv Oppenheimer, Immediate Past Director General, Peace Now ▪ Oded Revivi, Mayor of Efrat -at the King David Hotel
9:15 AM	Depart for the Prime Minister's Office Security Check
10:00 AM	Meeting with the Honorable Benjamin Netanyahu Prime Minister, Israel -at the Prime Minister's office

11:30 AM	Depart for hotel
12:00 PM	Arrive at hotel
12:30 PM	Depart for the Dead Sea Region
	En route briefing:
	▪ <i>Jericho Road and the E-1 Corridor: Strategic Concerns</i>
2:30 PM	<i>Exploration of the Dead Sea Region</i>
	Lunch
	- at Herods
4:00 PM	Depart
4:30 PM	<i>History and Geopolitics of the Roman Empire</i>
	Survey of the National Archeological Park at Masada
6:00 PM	Depart
7:30 PM	Arrive at the King David Hotel
	Join the Republican Delegation
8:00 PM	<i>1967: Fifty Years Later</i>
	Dinner with the Honorable Dr. Michael Oren
	Deputy Minister for Diplomacy, Office of the Prime Minister
	-at the King David Hotel
10:15 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel

Tuesday, August 8, 2017: BIPARTISAN DAY/ DAY 6

7:00 AM	Breakfast is served
7:45 AM	<i>U.S.-Israel Strategic Cooperation: Part II</i>
	Lunch with Ari Sacher
	System Development Engineer, Short Range Missile Defense,
	Rafael Advanced Defense Systems
	-at the King David Hotel
9:15 PM	Depart Hotel

10:30 AM	<i>U.S.-Israel Strategic Cooperation: Part II</i> Visit to Palmachim Air Force Base <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Briefing on Arrow ▪ Visit to Arrow Launcher
12:30 PM	Depart for Tel Aviv
1:15 PM	Lunch with Soldiers -at Ray
2:45 PM	Meeting with Ambassador David Friedman, U.S. Ambassador to Israel, and Jason Greenblatt, Israel Advisor to President Trump -at Ray
4:00 PM	<i>Start-Up Nation: Israeli Innovation and Ingenuity</i> Panel discussion with Israeli entrepreneurs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Eli Neer, United Hatzala ▪ Gideon Ben Zvi, Briefcam ▪ Cathy Sebag, MobileODT ▪ Tomer Tzach, CropX Moderated by Dan Senior -at Ray, Tel Aviv
5:15 PM	Depart for the Carlton Hotel Check into day rooms Prepare for departure
6:45 PM	<i>Bringing it All Together: The U.S.-Israel Relationship</i> Closing Dinner -at the Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv
8:30 PM	Depart for airport
11:10 PM	Depart Tel Aviv (United #90)

Wednesday, August 9, 2017

12:15 AM	Depart Tel Aviv (Delta #469)
4:15 AM	Arrive Newark (United #91)
5:01 AM	Arrive JFK (Delta #469)
Morning	Domestic flights to DC or home district

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List of Invitees

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Representative	Darren	Soto	D	FL	9
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Communications Director & Senior Advisor, Democratic Whip Steny Hoyer	Katie	Grant	D	MD	5
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Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security: \$843.13 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Room Rentals: \$705.89 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers. This also includes the cost for portable toilets which we bring to the northern border briefings.

Travel Agency Commission: \$429 per person (**SINGLE**); \$229.50 per person (**DOUBLE**)

-AIEF pays an upcharge of 21% per room per night, split between our U.S. and Israeli travel vendors

Speaker Fees: \$274.51 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Tour Guide: \$235.29 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Hotels for contract staff (tour guide, bus driver, security guards): \$196.08 per person

Meals for contract staff and speakers: \$186.27 per person

Tips: \$78.43 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

Snacks: \$78.43 per person

-Snacks between meals, and light refreshments during meetings

Entrance Fees: \$49.02 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Water: \$27.45 per person

-Water bottles kept on the bus

Photography: \$25.49 per person

-A professional photographer will take photos at meetings with dignitaries.

Taxis for contract staff and speakers: \$19.61 per person

Other: \$19.61 per person

-Briefing materials, miscellaneous